Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I am at one with the Minister that we have a good man and that we cannot get a better man. In fact he is a good gentleman. There is no use of casting any aspersion on him. You say that a rebate is given back to the producer who brings this yarn. How much has actually been given?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* If there is any balance towards the end of the year, we are thinking of reducing it, in view of the opposition from the traders. If we reduce the price there will be a hue and cry and Government will have to compete with the merchants.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* You cannot have two prices. I understand that the intention is to give back whatever profit you make at the end of the year in the shape of rebate.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Government do not want to make any profit. The main object is to prevent any combination to raise the charges.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Of the persons who have supplied yarn to the depot may I know how many were agents in Mattancheri and how many from outside?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Mainly from outside.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Are not these rebates given to these agents?

Mr. President: The main idea of this scheme was to eliminate the middlemen between the producer and the merchant, so that the actual market price may fall into the hands of the producer. The scheme has not been worked out fully on account of the international situation.

UNIFORMS—ANCHAL PEONS—SUPPLY OF

53. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether uniforms are supplied to Anchal peons working in Anchal Offices within all Municipalities;

(*b*) how many such uniforms are supplied to each peon in a year;

(*c*) when was the supply of uniforms made in 1115?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) No. The supply of uniforms to Anchal peons is restricted to important stations including those

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offices within the Municipalities of Trichur, Ernakulam, Mattancheri and Irinjalakkuda.

(*b*) During the 1st year of supply, each Anchalman is supplied with two sets of uniforms and during subsequent years one set each.

(c) The supply was made in the month of Meenam.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, when was the first supply made?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I want notice.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* It is stated that only 2 uniforms have been given. By the time the next supply is made the first uniform might have worn out.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* There was no reference to the first supply. There was one supply in Meenam of 1115.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Why is it that all the anchal peons do not require these uniforms?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* There is no implication that others do not require it.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Why are they not supplied?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* Their number is being increased from year to year.

STAFF SELECTION BOARD PERSONNEL—APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE FOR Mr. P. J. GEORGE

54. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will the Government be pleased to state the name of the officer to be appointed in the vacancy created by the retirement of Mr. P. J. George, Joint Secretary, in the Staff Selection Board?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* Dr. T. Verghese has already been appointed.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know whether there is any objection to put in Mr. Raphael, the present Joint Secretary, as a Member of the Staff Selection Board?

Mr. President: What is the objection for Dr. Verghese?

Mr. C. R. Iyyuni *(Trichur-South):* If I am allowed to explain, I may say that Government have been following a principle of having persons who are in touch with the various communities of the State, this being a question of appointment. That appears to

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